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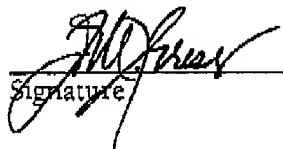
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 1, 2003, said period of response being extended from November 1, 2003 to January 1, 2003.

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